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## 'Silence of a Winter's Night' event planned at Salamonie Lake

Upper Wabash Interpretive Services is offering a chance to enjoy the "Silence of a Winter's Night" from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 30 at Salamonie Lake, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. This program is free to participants. Dress for the weather; the entire program will be held outdoors. Restrooms will be available. No flashlights will be allowed, though. CDC COVID-19 guidelines, including face coverings, will be followed. Advance registration is required by calling 260-468-2127.

## BMV announces two-hour closure Thursday, Feb. 4

All Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicle (BMV) branches will be closed from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 4, "to engage in planned programming intended to foster a diverse, highly-skilled, and professional workforce." All branches will resume regularly scheduled business hours at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 4. For more

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# One dead, one hospitalized, two arrested in police-involved shooting

ISP investigating Thursday's Wabash incident at the request of Kosciusko County Sheriff's Department

By **ROB BURGESS**

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

One man is dead, a woman has been hospitalized and two others have been arrested after a police-involved shooting Thursday evening in Wabash. The Indiana State Police (ISP), at the request of the Kosciusko County Sheriff's

Department, is investigating the incident, said ISP Peru Post public information officer Sgt. Tony Slocum, on Thursday.

Slocum said the Kosciusko County Sheriff's Department (KCSD) served the warrant as part of a criminal investigation conducted by the Wabash County Sheriff's De-

partment (WCSD).

Slocum said the preliminary investigation by ISP detectives revealed at approximately 5:45 p.m., officers from the KCSD Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT) served a search warrant in the 60 block of East Main Street.

"They have a working relationship since Wabash County does not have a SWAT team, (KCSD) was requested due to possible weapons being in the home," said Slocum, on Friday.

Slocum said after officers made entry into the residence, there was an exchange of gunfire between law enforcement and individuals inside.

Slocum said two people inside the home appeared to have suffered gunshot wounds. A 35-year-old woman was transported to a Fort Wayne hospital.

Roger D. Hipskind, 37, was pronounced dead at the

scene. Hipskind had been scheduled to appear Feb. 22 at a pretrial conference in Wabash County Circuit Court after pleading not guilty to a misdemeanor charge of conversion on Jan. 5, according to court records.

On Friday, Slocum said "it has yet to be determined if Hipskind died from an officers bullet or from a self-inflicted gunshot. An autopsy

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## Vaccine volunteers give the local clinic a shot in the arm



By **ROB BURGESS** / Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Parkview Wabash Hospital president Marilyn J. Custer-Mitchell, center, trains student volunteers from Southwood Jr. / Sr. High School at the COVID-19 vaccine clinic at the Wabash County Museum.

## Students from Southwood, Huntington University contribute

By **ROB BURGESS**

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

As of Friday, the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) announced 518,997 Hoosiers have received the first dose of COVID-19 vaccine, and 127,521 are fully vaccinated.

Hoosiers age 70 and older, along with healthcare workers, long-term care residents and first responders, are now eligible to receive a vaccine.

Local officials across the state have put together vaccine clinics in all 92 counties in record time to accomplish this feat, but they haven't done it alone.

And the site at the Wabash County Museum hasn't been an exception.

"These are going are going to be our registration and observers," said Mayor Scott Long.

Long said because volunteers don't have to be medical personnel, he contacted Kari Johnson at Southwood Jr./Sr. High School who runs the intern program.

"These students are volunteering their time and gives them experience. And we're thankful for the ability to utilize them," said Long.

Parkview Wabash Hospital president Marilyn J. Custer-Mitchell said these Southwood students will be helping at the clinic through the end of the school year.

"They are helping register patients and schedule the patient's second shot appointment," said Custer-Mitchell.

"They have been a huge help and we are thrilled to have them helping us."

The first week the clinic was open the Southwood students were volunteering. By the second week, nursing students from Huntington University started administering vaccines.

"This is a great opportunity for them to get experience giving shots and working with actual patients. And again, it's a huge help to us and has been a blessing," said Custer-Mitchell.

Custer-Mitchell, said the clinic is staffed completely by volunteers.

"We have two types of volunteers who are qualified to administer vaccines

and we have volunteers who are administrative, completing patient registrations and scheduling," said Custer-Mitchell.

Custer-Mitchell said they still needed more volunteers including 10 vaccinators a week and between 10 and 15 administrative volunteers a week.

"We've not had to ask for any additional administrative volunteers besides the (Southwood) students yet, but I believe we will need to soon," said Custer-Mitchell.

Custer-Mitchell said wanted to "give a special thanks to all the people who have really helped us get the clinic up and running"

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## NWS: 6 to 10 more inches of snow expected to fall through Monday

## Winter Storm Watch, Hazardous Weather Outlook in effect for the region

By **ROB BURGESS**

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Though it's been a mild winter for the most part, travelers can expect to face at least a half-foot of snow through Monday.

On Friday, the National Weather Service (NWS) of Northern Indiana issued a Winter Storm Watch and Hazardous Weather Outlook for the entire northern Indiana and northwest Ohio region.

"Heavy snow" is possible, with total snow accumulations of 5 inches to 9 inches.

"Travel could be very difficult," stated the NWS. "Snow may be heavy at times from late Saturday into Sunday and is expected to impact travel."

On Friday, NWS Northern Indiana meteorologist Todd Holsten said a "big storm" that rolled into southern California here that morning, dropping over 10 feet of snow in the Sierra Nevada mountains of California.

"That system is making a beeline for the Ohio Valley here by (Saturday) night," said Holsten.

Holsten said the heaviest snow that we expect here will occur Saturday night generally on the order of 3 to 5 inches of snow.

"As the system comes into the Ohio Valley, it also begins to slow down," said Holsten. "It looks like the snow is going to linger into Monday."

Holsten said the storm will be at a lighter intensity though

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## Point in Time Count reaches out to those experiencing homelessness

The annual tally took place Thursday at White Rock Recreation

By **ROB BURGESS**

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The Point in Time Count happens every year, but a global pandemic does not.

So, this year's tally of those experiencing homelessness looked a little different Thursday afternoon at White Rock Recreation.

"COVID-19 has changed our direct interaction with the homeless," said Advantage Housing case manager Samie McFadden on Friday. "To protect the health of everyone, that population will be observed and counted rather than completely screened in a survey as

they have been in previous years."

McFadden said this year they had carry-alls, backpacks, blankets, can openers, hand warmers, hygiene kits and treat bags.

"Folks could just take what they needed," said McFadden.

McFadden said this year's count in figures of those experiencing homelessness was similar to previous years, but that the eviction moratorium in effect throughout the pandemic has left some thinking it "meant they never had to pay their rent."

"Please make sure people understand that they will always have to pay the rent," said McFadden. "They might just not have to pay it now. Many people were

evicted because they did not pay their rent at all."

McFadden said people were also evicted for other reasons having nothing to do with the pandemic.

"People have to be good tenants to stay in their homes," said McFadden.

The Region 5 Planning Council serves Cass, Howard, Miami, Tipton and Wabash counties and administers the local count each year.

"On a single night during the last week of every January, Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCA) works with Regional Planning Councils to conduct a count of homeless persons throughout the state," stated the group. "A shelter count is conducted that counts

how many people are staying in Emergency Shelters or Transitional Housing Programs, and a street count is conducted to target homeless persons who may not be staying in shelters. The purpose of the count is to understand the scope and characteristics of people sleeping in shelters or places not meant for human habitation. Information is compiled for an annual report to congress. This is essential in appropriating funds, measuring performance data and setting goals to improve the lives of children, women and men experiencing homelessness."

In December 2020, Gov. Eric Holcomb and Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch addressed the 29th annual Dentons Legislative Conference to

present their 2021 Next Level Agenda. During their remarks, Crouch said housing stock was of "critical importance" as they sought to continue building the state's workforce.

Grow Wabash County president and CEO Keith A. Gillenwater said Wabash County has a substantial gap in housing in several demographics – market-rate workforce housing, higher-end single-family executive-style, quality subsidized single-family, quality subsidized multi-family and market-rate multi-family housing.

McFadden said many have found alternatives, staying with friends or relatives being the most common

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# Conflict among bishops goes public on Inauguration Day

Speaking to an Italian family association in 2018, Pope Francis compared the abortion of children with genetic problems to “what the Nazis did to purify the race. Today, we do the same thing, but with white gloves.”

A year later, Francis bluntly asked a journalist from Mexico if it’s “fair to eliminate a human life in order to solve a problem? The answer to which is, ‘No.’ Second question: Is it fair to pay a sniper to solve a problem? No. Abortion is not a religious problem. ... It is a problem of eliminating a human life. Period.”

But the pope was careful in his Inauguration Day message to America’s second Catholic president, assuring Joe Biden that he would “pray that your decisions will be guided by a concern for building a society marked by authentic justice and freedom, together with unfailing respect for the rights and dignity of every person, especially the poor, the vulnerable and those who have no voice.”

The pope’s text was examined closely after reports that the Vatican – on behalf of progressive American bishops – tried to stop the circulation of a sobering statement from the president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. The letter from Archbishop Jose Gomez of Los Angeles addressed the challenge, and blessing, of working with “our first president in 60 years to profess the Catholic faith.”

Clearly, Biden’s piety had offered “solace in times of darkness and tragedy,” said Gomez, leader of America’s largest diocese and a crucial voice among Hispanic Catholics. He also praised Biden’s “longstanding commitment to the Gospel’s priority for the poor.”

**Terry Mattingly**



and threaten human life and dignity, most seriously in the areas of abortion, contraception, marriage and gender. Of deep concern is the ... freedom of believers to live according to their consciences.”

Cardinal Blase Cupich of Chicago fired back on Twitter, attacking this “ill-considered statement on the day of President Biden’s inauguration” while claiming “there is seemingly no precedent” for this action by Gomez.

The Pillar, a Catholic news website, reported that the Vatican Secretariat of State intervened to “spike” the statement from the U.S. bishops after objections from Cupich, Cardinal Joseph Tobin of Newark, New Jersey, and some other bishops.

This clash was a rare example – in public – of ongoing tensions among American bishops about how to handle Catholic politicians who dissent, in word and deed, from centuries of church doctrines on life-and-death issues such as abortion and euthanasia, as well as hot-button topics such as sex, gender and marriage.

These tensions intensified in 2004, when a committee of American bishops sought Vatican advice on how to relate to Sen. John Kerry, a liberal Catholic who was the Democratic Party’s presidential nominee. The question was whether his strong support for abortion rights should affect his ability to receive Holy Communion.

In a private reply, Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger

Nevertheless, Gomez noted, “our new president has pledged to pursue certain policies that would advance moral evils

– now the retired Pope Benedict XVI – said that if prominent supporters of abortion continue to present themselves for Holy Communion, against the advice of their local bishops, priests “must refuse to distribute it.”

The committee’s leader – the now-disgraced Theodore McCarrick – claimed that Ratzinger’s letter endorsed compromise. American bishops have been arguing ever since about what some call the “McCarrick doctrine.”

Meanwhile, Cardinal Wilton Gregory of Washington, D.C., has promised that he will not prevent Biden from receiving Holy Communion.

“Cardinal Cupich’s tweets certainly intensified matters,” said J.D. Flynn, editor of The Pillar, reached by telephone.

“Bishops, ordinarily, just don’t do things like that.” In his letter, Gomez stressed that Catholic leaders face the challenge of defending doctrines that do not “align neatly with the political categories of left or right or the platforms of our two major political parties.” This affects issues ranging from race to economic justice, from health care to immigration.

Nevertheless, for America’s Catholic bishops, the “continued injustice of abortion remains the ‘preeminent priority,’” argued Gomez. That said, the word “preeminent does not mean ‘only.’ We have deep concerns about many threats to human life and dignity in our society. But as Pope Francis teaches, we cannot stay silent when nearly a million unborn lives are being cast aside in our country year after year through abortion.”

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### 5-Day Weather Summary

 <b>Saturday</b> Rain & Snow Possible 38 / 32	 <b>Sunday</b> Rain Likely 39 / 26	 <b>Monday</b> Few Snow Showers 30 / 21	 <b>Tuesday</b> Partly Cloudy 32 / 22	 <b>Wednesday</b> Mostly Cloudy 39 / 32
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#### Sun and Moon

Today's sunset ..... 6:01 p.m.  
Tomorrow's sunrise ..... 7:51 a.m.

 Last 2/4	 New 2/11	 First 2/19	 Full 2/27
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#### Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 70% chance of rain and snow, high temperature of 38°, humidity of 56%. East southeast wind 9 to 15 mph. Snow accumulation of less than one inch possible. Expect cloudy skies tonight with a 100% chance of snow, overnight low of 32°.

## Grow Wabash County welcomes intern

Skyler Claussen is a student at Southwood Jr./Sr. High School

### STAFF REPORT

Grow Wabash County would like to welcome Southwood Jr./Sr. High School student, Skyler Claussen, as the organization’s newest intern, according to project manager for marketing and events Chelsea Boulrisse.

Boulrisse said Claussen is a senior at Southwood and considers himself a “numbers guy.”

“He enjoys working with data and statistics and has plans to expand his knowledge on these subjects at

Purdue University in the fall where he intends to major in Actuarial and Data Sciences,” said Boulrisse.

At Southwood, Skyler is also part of the National Honors Society, the school’s pep band as well as the Wabash Community Band where he plays the bass clarinet.

“During his internship at Grow Wabash County, Skyler’s love of numbers and data will be put to good use. Many of his projects will help the organization develop metric tracking systems, create the 2020 Annual Report and maintain databases that are crucial to Grow Wabash County business development efforts,” said Boulrisse. “Grow Wabash County is a strong supporter



Provided photo

Skyler Claussen is a senior at Southwood Jr. / Sr. High School.

of internships and truly believes that the connections made between students and employers during these internships are invaluable to both parties.”

Local business interested in hiring local interns can contact the following internship coordinators:

Manchester University: Call Leslie Marlatt at 260-982-5242 or email LPMarlatt@manchester.edu  
Heartland Career Center: Call Brian Evans at 260-

563-7481 or bevans@staff.hcc.k12.in.us

Northfield and Southwood high schools: Call Kari Johnson at 260-563-8050 or email johnsonk@msdwc.k12.in.us

Manchester Jr-Senior High School: Call Shelly Leifer at 260-982-1034 or email shelly\_leifer@mcs.k12.in.us

Wabash City Schools: Call Emily Tracey at 260-563-2151 or email tracye@apaches.k12.in.us

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will be conducted.”

Gabrielle Bolin, 26, and Curt Bolin, 31, both of Wabash, were also in the residence Slocum said on Friday.

Slocum said further investigation revealed they were both wanted on multiple arrest warrants. Gabrielle Bolin was wanted on failure to appear warrants for possession of a narcotic and theft. Curt Bolin was wanted on failure to appear warrants

for resisting law enforcement, theft, and possession of a narcotic. They were taken into custody and incarcerated in the Wabash County Jail.

Slocum said no officers were injured during the incident.

On Thursday, Wabash County EMA director Keith Walters said he had “no first-hand knowledge” of the incident and referred all future questions to the Wabash Police Department (WPD).

“This is an ongoing investigation. No further in-

formation will be released at this time,” said Slocum. “Upon completion of the investigation, the information will be forwarded to the Wabash County Prosecutor’s Office for review. All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until, and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.”

This story will be updated as more information becomes available.

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including Long, Wabash County EMA director Keith Walters, Lee Green at the ISDH, Shawn Schweitzer at the ISDH and the Wabash County Health Department.

To schedule a vaccination, visit <https://ourshot.in.gov> or call 211. Additional locations and appointments are being added as more vaccines become available.

Custer-Mitchell said those interested in taking part in the local waiting list may email [info@cityofwabash.com](mailto:info@cityofwabash.com).

For more information on volunteering, call 260-569-2217 or email marilyn.custer-mitchell@parkview.com.

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# Obituaries

## Jean Rankin Scales

May 25, 1930 – Jan. 15, 2021

Jean Rankin Scales, 90, of Indianapolis, Indiana, formerly of Wabash, Indiana, passed away at 10:50 am, on Friday, January 15, 2021 at Clearwater Commons in Indianapolis. She was born May 25, 1930 in Augusta, Georgia, to Minnie (Renfro) Rankin and Donald Thompson Rankin, M.D.

Jean was preceded in death by her parents and her husband of 58 years, Richard “Dick” L. Scales, Sr., who died October 23, 2009.



Jean is survived by her three children, Richard (Christine) Scales, Jr M.D. of Indianapolis, Allan W. (Jayne) Scales of St. Charles, Illinois, and Anne (Greg) Crafts of Carmel, Indiana. She had seven grandchildren and one great grandson, Caitlyn A. Scales PhD, Andrew (Len) R. Scales, PhD, William (Kylee) A. Scales, M.D., Ian (Sarah) K. Scales, Joseph A. Scales, J.D., Trevor (Kara and son Jack) D. Crafts, M.D., and Evan Crafts. Jean was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother and will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

She grew up in St. Augustine, Florida. After graduating from high school, Jean attended Purdue University, where she was a member of the Mortar Board, Alpha Xi Delta sorority, and a Gold Pepper as a member of the Debris staff. Jean and her husband, Richard “Dick” Scales, Sr. were both graduates of Purdue University. They were married in the Presbyterian Church at Purdue University on December 21, 1951. After Dick served

in the Naval Air Corp during the Korean War, they moved to LaGrange, Illinois and then to Wabash, IN, their home of over 50 years. Once the children were in school, Jean completed her masters degree and went on to teach reading for 21 years at Wabash Junior and Senior High Schools. She was a member of Tri Kappa, an elder in the Wabash Presbyterian Church, taught Sunday School, and was a member of the Women’s Association. Jean was active for 53 years in the Round Table literary society, which she loved attending. In 2015, Jean moved to the Clearwater Senior Living Center in Indianapolis, to be closer to family.

Per Jean’s request, she will be cremated. Services are postponed due to the Covid pandemic. When the time is appropriate, a memorial service will be held at the Wabash Presbyterian Church. Arrangements by Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash.

The memorial guest book for Jean may be signed at [www.grandstaff-hentgen.com](http://www.grandstaff-hentgen.com).

## Todd A. Slagal

Oct. 25, 1969 – Jan. 23, 2021

Todd A. Slagal, 51, of Wabash, passed away on Jan. 23, 2021 at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. He was born on October 25, 1969, in Wabash, to the late Chuck Slagal and Nancy Norman.

Todd is survived by two daughters, Mariya Slagal and Kaylee Slagal both of Wabash; brother, Troy Slagal of Wabash; sister, Dawn Howell of Sweetser; two

grandchildren, Thaya Faust and Syllas Shipper.

Per the Todd’s wishes, there will be no services.

Funeral services have been entrusted to McDonald Funeral Homes, 231 Falls Avenue, Wabash, Indiana 46992.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.mcdonaldfunerals.com](http://www.mcdonaldfunerals.com).

## Jerry Clinton Crabb

Jerry Clinton Crabb, 79, North Manchester, Indiana, passed away January 25, 2021 at Peabody Healthcare Center, North Manchester.

The memory of Jerry Clinton Crabb will be cherished by his brother, David Lee (Carolyn Ann) Crabb, Augusta, Georgia; niece, Stacey de la Fuente, Warsaw, Indiana; and five great nieces and nephews.

Private services will be held at a later date.

For those wishing to honor the memory of Jerry Clinton Crabb, memorial contributions may be made to American Legion Post 253, P.O. Box 776, North Webster, Indiana 46555.

The family of Jerry Clinton Crabb has entrusted McKee Mortuary with final arrangements.

## Earl ‘Buddy’ Lyons

Services for Earl “Buddy” Lyons, 69, of Lagro, formerly Warsaw, Indiana, were 11:00 am, Tuesday, January 26, 2020 at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash. Evangelist Tod Masters and Pastor Bill Crank officiated.

Pallbearers were Matthew King, Drake King, Andrew King, Doug Huston, Blake Huston, and Danny Lyons. Burial was in Friends Cemetery, Wabash. Military honors were by the United States Army honors team and VFW Post 286.

## James Steven ‘Jim’ Corn

Feb. 22, 1948 – Jan. 27, 2021

James Steven “Jim” Corn, 72, of rural Delphi, Indiana, died at 3:00 pm, Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at his home. He was born February 22, 1948 in Wabash, Indiana, to James and Peggy Joann (Rinearson) Corn.

Jim was a 1966 graduate of Northfield High School, a graduate of International Business College, and received his bachelor degree from St. Francis University in Fort Wayne. He served in the US Army 3 years. Jim married Janet Kilgore in Baumholder, Germany on July 20, 1970. He was a retired CPA. Jim enjoyed collecting coins, gardening, fishing, cats, watching all sports, and was an avid Chicago Cubs fan.

He is survived by his wife, Janet Corn of Delphi, Indiana, three children, James A. (Karlee) Corn of Idaville, Indiana, Julie (Matt) Slaughter of Greenwood, Indiana, and Joanie Corn of Fowler, Indiana, six grandchildren, Cassandra Corn and Addison Corn, both of Idaville, Abigail Slaughter, Katelyn Slaughter, and Sarah Slaughter, all of Greenwood, and Charles Corn of Fowler, Indiana, brothers and sisters, Randy D. Corn and Kristi Hampton, both of Wabash,



Doug Corn of Urbana, Indiana, Todd (Sheila) Corn of Bloomfield, Indiana, and Tina Reed of Lagro, Indiana. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be 2:00 pm, Saturday, January 30, 2021, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, with Pastor Nord Zootman officiating. Burial will be in Center Grove Cemetery, Lincolnville. Friends may call 1-2pm Saturday at the funeral home.

Preferred memorial is Neediest Kids of All, Box 636666, Cincinnati, Ohio 45263-6666.

The memorial guest book for Jim may be signed at [www.grandstaff-hentgen.com](http://www.grandstaff-hentgen.com).

## Donald H. Day

Dec. 26, 1939 – Jan. 23, 2021

Donald H. Day, 81, Bloomington, passed away in his home at 5:00 pm on Saturday, January 23, 2021. He was born in Peru, Indiana, on Tuesday, December 26, 1939, to Nathaniel and Thelma (Hinkle) Day. On May 27, 1967, he married his beloved wife, Sharon L. Biehl, and she survives.

Donald graduated from Wabash High School and was a salesperson with Sutters Dairy and Abbey Carpet. He was a member of Unity Christian Church in Marion and Sherwood Oaks Christian Church in Bloomington. Donald enjoyed preparing items for fundraising for I.D.E.S., as well as refinishing antique furniture.

Additional survivors include his daughter, Angela (Dan) Gummere of Bloomington; son, Douglas Day of Marion; granddaughter, Hope Gummere of Bloomington; grand-



son, Ben Gummere of Bloomington; brothers, John (Betty) Day of Wabash and Robert (Bonnie) Day of Wabash; and sisters, Joann (Max) Carr of Wabash and Mary (Gene) Delauter of Wabash.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

The family will receive visitors from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm on Sunday, January 31, 2021, at Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral Service, North Chapel, 1341 N. Baldwin Ave., Marion, IN.

Immediately following the time of visitation, a service to celebrate Donald’s life will begin at 3:00 pm. Pastor Rick Jett will be officiating.

Memorial contributions may be directed to International Disaster Emergency Service, 355 Park 32 West Dr., Noblesville, IN 46062.

Memories may be shared online at [www.nswcares.com](http://www.nswcares.com).

## Kathleen Kryscuk

June 8, 1949 – Jan. 26, 2021

Kathleen Kryscuk, 71, passed away on Tuesday, January 26, 2021 at Miller’s Merry Manor, East in Wabash. She was born on June 8, 1949, in Brooklyn, New York, to the late Paul & Shirley (Dailey) Kryscuk.

Per Kathleen’s request,

there will be no services.

Arrangements have been entrusted to McDonald Funeral Homes, Inc., 231 Falls Avenue, Wabash, Indiana 46992.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.mcdonaldfunerals.com](http://www.mcdonaldfunerals.com).

## Harrison ‘Bussie’ Castle

Services for Harrison “Bussie” Castle, 86, of Claypool, Indiana, were 11:00 am, Wednesday, January 27, 2020 at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash. Paul Short officiated. Pallbearers were Greg Chal-

fant, Cameron Castle, Ryan Castle, Paul B. Short, Elbert Castle, and Chad Fulk. Burial was in Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. Military honors were by the United States Army honors team and VFW Post 286.

## SNOW

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during the day Sunday, Sunday night into early Monday, but in that process, we could see an additional 3 to 5 inches of snow Sunday through at least the first part of Monday.

Holsten said the temperatures forecasted were “actually a little tricky.”

“(Saturday) doesn’t look too bad ahead of the storm,” said Holsten. “There is some warm air that tries to wrap up into the area, so in the afternoon it might peak up into the upper 30s, but then snow will overspread the area (Saturday) evening it looks like down in your neck of the woods, anywhere from 8 to 9 p.m.”

Holsten said once the storm arrives “it will pick up in intensity really fast.”

“So, we’re going to have a pretty decent snow accumulation (Saturday) night,” said Holsten.

Holsten said the larger unknown runs into the day on Sunday and Sunday night.

“As the system slows down, it actually undergoes a little re-intensification through western Ohio and how far back west that extends, the influence from that right now is the most uncertain thing in the forecast,” said Holsten.

“Right now, it looks like the snow shield associated with that should advance west of the I-69 corridor so I think Wabash is probably underneath a pretty decent snow

band for a time of the day Sunday.”

Holsten said temperature-wise during the snow, it was going to be cool.

“We’ll be lucky if we crack above freezing Sunday afternoon and then again on Monday. But, other than that, temperatures will be plenty cold for snow,” said Holsten.

Holsten said the forecasted storm would help get the seasonal precipitation levels closer to normal. At the Fort Wayne station, there have only been 5 inches of snow recorded when there is usually 20 inches by now, a 15-inch departure below normal.

Holsten said there wasn’t much snow last year, either. At the same point last year, Fort Wayne had recorded 13.5 inches of snow.

“We’ve had a couple of pretty mild, less-than-normal snowfall winters here in a row, so this will get us closer to normal,” said Holsten. “I don’t think Fort Wayne will hit normal. I think they stay below.”

Holsten said the moisture would be “appreciated, certainly” as areas of the state are still in a drought.

“So, that’ll help to alleviate that,” said Holsten. “This particular event it should be really close to a 10-to-1 ratio. So if you get five inches of snow, you get a half-inch of liquid. If you get 10 inches you’ve got an inch.”

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information, visit [IN.gov/BMV](http://IN.gov/BMV).

## Second Harvest to hold tailgate food distribution every other Wednesday

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana has planned tailgate food distributions for 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10 at Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St., North Manchester; and 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24 at Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 2147 Indiana 15. For more information, visit [www.curehunger.org](http://www.curehunger.org), [classy.org/campaign/hunger-action-month/c299182](http://classy.org/campaign/hunger-action-month/c299182) or <https://www.givepulse.com/group/203410>.

## COVID-19 testing continues at Parkview Wabash

OptumServe will administer free COVID-19 testing from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays at Parkview Wabash Hospital “on an on-going basis.” Testing will take place at 8 John Kissinger Drive in the first-floor conference room of the Medical Office Building (MOB) adjoining Parkview Wabash Hospital. Testing site patrons should not use the MOB entrance or enter through the hospital, but instead, enter and exit through the designated entrance between the two buildings. Signage will mark the appropriate entrance, which is within a few steps of the conference room and testing site.

## Grow Wabash County to postpone State of Our Communities event

Grow Wabash County has announced they will postpone the State of Our Communities event, which was formerly slated for Thursday, Feb. 11 at the Eagles Theatre, 106 W. Market St. The new date will be from 7:30 to 10 a.m. Thursday, April 1 at the Eagles Theatre. Registration will open in the coming weeks and further information about tickets and sponsorship opportunities to follow.

## Wabash Area Community Theater plans first show of 2021

“Love Letters” by A.R. Gurney will take place from Friday, Feb. 12 to Sunday, Feb. 14, which is Valentine’s Day weekend. The show will be featured as “Dinnertainment,” performed in a dinner theater setting in the Big Four Ballroom located in Charley Creek Inn. Dinner theater tickets are \$30 per person with advance purchase required. Show dates will be Friday, Feb. 12 and Saturday, Feb. 13. Doors and cash bar open at 6 p.m. The meal starts at 6:30 p.m. On Sunday, Feb. 14, the doors, cash bar and meal open at 12:30 p.m. For more information, email director Brett Robinson at [b.a.robinson@outlook.com](mailto:b.a.robinson@outlook.com).

## COUNT

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situations.

“Besides the pandemic, the community is seeing rental rates go up, and fewer places available,” said McFadden.

McFadden said homelessness in an urban setting is somewhat easier to see, and often looks like tent cities.

“The people can together to make their own community for safety and resource sharing. In rural settings, we see more isolation amongst the unsheltered homeless,” said McFadden.

Gillenwater cited Zillow listings and recent sales prices going up from 26 percent from 2015 to 2020.

Gillenwater said the local total housing stock is also aged, with over 38 percent in Wabash County having been built before 1939. That’s compared to less than 10 percent of the total stock in the county which has been built in the last 20 years.

Gillenwater cited several ongoing projects, including the redevelopment of the Parkview Hospital Legacy Site, which is a joint partnership between the city, Parkview Wabash Hospital, Grow Wabash County and several other partners; and the East Market Street corridor project, which is a partnership between the city and the Wabash County Business Alliance Foundation (GWC Foundation).

Gillenwater said the city is spearheading, with several development partners and Grow Wabash County’s assistance, the remediation and redevelopment of the former GDx site.

Gillenwater said the Town of North Manchester also has worked with Grow Wabash County’s assistance over the last five years to develop the new Chester Heights subdivision on 9th Street along with Ideal Builders.

Gillenwater said the city also spearheaded the devel-

opment of 41 senior-housing units at Rock City Lofts in the last several years, and has assisted several downtown building owners with facade grants for their buildings, several of which have apartments available on the upper floors.

McFadden said these problems have many contributing factors and local policy-makers have been working to understand these issues better in their communities the last six years “partly because of the snapshot of the Point In Time count.”

“Additionally, more and more stakeholders have stepped forward with ideas and commitments for both long term and short term solutions. Advantage Housing is proud to be helping Wabash develop long- and short-term shelter. Some affordable housing is also in the works, and we hope we can continue to help,” said McFadden.

Crouch said the Indiana

Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCD) is creating a public-private partnership “to develop a comprehensive overview of our state’s housing supply and needs on a county by county basis.”

Crouch’s director of communications Randy Spieth said the IHCD created the Housing Working Group, which was charged with undertaking a State Housing Study. Spieth said the public interface for the dashboard will include an online map to see data at different geographies and incorporate other publicly available data.

Crouch said rural housing, in particular, was of utmost importance as the IHCD was also conducting a pilot process with Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to create and rehabilitate rural properties throughout Indiana.

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# Opinion

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The Wabash Plain Dealer encourages your letters to the editor forum, which is designed to be a forum for exchange of ideas between readers about issues of community importance.

Please sign your letter. Your name will be used with the letter that is published in the Plain Dealer. Your letter will be returned if it is your desire to remain anonymous.

Since we may want to write or call you to verify the letter, we ask that you include your address and telephone number. All our letters to the editor are published in the interest of fair play, so we trust our letter writers will refrain from personal attacks on other persons or groups.

A letter should be less than two pages long, preferably of double-spaced typing.

In order to give everyone an opportunity to participate in this exchange of ideas, please try to limit your letters to one per month per household.

To submit a letter, please write the Wabash Plain Dealer at 99 W. Canal St., Wabash, IN 46992.

Letters also may be hand-delivered to the newspaper office, 99 W. Canal St. The office is open 9-11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you should deliver a letter during non-business hours, a drop slot is located to the left of the front door. Letters may be faxed to 260-563-0816, or email them to [news@wabashplainedeal.com](mailto:news@wabashplainedeal.com) with "Letters to the Editor" in the subject line.

## DAILY SCRIPTURE

For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison.

James 3:7-8

# On COVID-19 and climate change, denialism is deadly

If there were any lingering doubts about the undermining of science as the COVID-19 crisis erupted last year, Dr. Anthony Fauci has horror stories to prove otherwise. In a series of recent interviews, most notably with The New York Times, the nation's leading infectious disease expert revealed how his informed advice for grappling with a growing pandemic was all but dismissed by a White House flirting with denialism. "We would say things like, 'This is an outbreak. Infectious diseases run their own course unless one does something to intervene,'" Fauci recalled. "(President Donald Trump) would get up and start talking about, 'It's going to go away, it's magical, it's going to disappear.'"

A year and more than 424,000 dead Americans later, grim lessons have been learned about the costs of downplaying research-based measures such as mask wearing, social distancing and testing. (Science is also riding to the rescue in the form of safe and effective vaccines.)

The same kind of fact-based, science-based approach is also needed to tackle climate change, the other crisis threatening humanity.

Levels of heat-trapping carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, pro-

duced in large part by the burnings of fossil fuels, are higher than the Earth has seen in at least 800,000 years. Last year tied 2016 as the hottest years on record within the hottest decade ever recorded.

Mega-blazes across America last year incinerated towns and forests made tinder dry by prolonged drought. Warming ocean waters helped transform storms like Hurricane Sally into slow-moving, water-deluging behemoths.

New research this month reveals that freshwater frozen on Antarctica is melting into the oceans at a rate six times faster than 40 years ago, a clear sign of a warming planet and a harbinger of a precipitous sea rise in the decades to come.

Although climate change is already a here-and-now problem, scientists say it's still possible to slow the rise in global temperatures and mitigate the most catastrophic effects. This will require reducing greenhouse gas emissions and even extracting gases from the skies, if science can find a way to do it at scale.

President Joe Biden was elected on a platform that included prioritizing the fight against climate change. Among his first actions were rejoining the Paris climate accord and rolling back

Trump-era deregulation. On Wednesday, he's expected to announce a moratorium on new oil and gas leasing on federal land.

In the weeks ahead, Biden will seek hundreds of billions of dollars in clean-energy investments, including projects such as installing vast numbers of electric vehicle charging stations.

We continue to believe that a crucial step should be a refundable national carbon tax (about which Biden is silent) to make renewable sources and carbon-capture schemes more competitive with fossil fuels. And, in our view, Biden's quick canceling of the Keystone XL pipeline is a largely symbolic move unlikely to keep oil from being extracted from Canadian oil sands.

Nonetheless, with Biden's election, the nation and Congress can begin the crucial and necessary debate over how best to attack this crisis.

Denying that the crisis even exists — as Trump did with the coronavirus, and many still do with human-caused climate change — kills debate and ensures nothing is accomplished until it's too late to avert calamity.

*This editorial was first published in USA Today.*



# Raising revenue for rural broadband and more

When the Indiana General Assembly wasn't in session this past summer and fall, I spent a lot of my time investigating innovative ways to increase funding for rural broadband projects. After plenty of research, I requested a bill be written that would bring in revenue for our state by imposing a surcharge tax on social media providers like Facebook and Twitter.

If a company met the parameters, the bill would require them to pay a 7 percent tax on their Indiana-based advertising revenue. Additionally, the companies would owe the Indiana Department of Revenue one dollar for every active Indiana account holder.

## Sen. Andy Zay



be allocated for rural broadband improvements and expansion, and 10 percent would be allocated to the Online Bullying, Social Isolation and Suicide Prevention Fund. Every year, more money could be filing in as more Hoosiers join social media sites.

According to Indiana Constitution, all revenue-generating

This bill could generate roughly \$50 million in the first year and nearly \$100 million by the second year. Of that funding, under my proposal, 90 percent would

bills must start in the House of Representatives. I'm grateful to Rep. J.D. Prescott (R-Union City), who agreed to work with me on House Bill 1312, which has been assigned to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

Considering the impact COVID-19 has had on our ability to connect, making us more reliant on the internet than ever, I hope to see this innovative idea generate a lot of discussions this session among legislators, stakeholders and members of the public. I think this legislation could have a positive and immediate impact.

*Sen. Andy Zay, R-Huntington, represents District 17 in the Indiana State Senate.*

# Ag tech jobs grow in our state's strong agriculture roots

Agriculture. Biology. Science and technology. All of these make up our growing agbioscience sector of our economy. While Indiana already ranks as the 10th largest agriculture state in the nation, we further positioned ourselves as a destination for ag and technology in 2020 with numerous announcements regarding job creation in the ag-tech industry, which will add to our already strong agriculture heritage.

Last year, businesses in and outside of Indiana committed plans to create more than 31,300 Hoosier jobs. That includes more than 2,700 jobs in agribusiness. Our pro-business climate and high quality of life make Indiana the perfect destination for innovation and expansion, which is why more and more companies are selecting Indiana as their new home, rather than the increasingly rising challenges of Silicon Valley and the West Coast.

## Suzanne Crouch



growth was not achieved by good fortune and will not be maintained without purpose and perseverance. Changes in finance, technology and workforce cannot be ignored. We must be vigilant as we work to provide the tools that will help every individual compete in this ever-changing economy.

Our state already ranks third in the nation in the industries of the future. That includes agbioscience, which already contributes \$39 billion to our state economy and employs more than 77,000 Hoosiers. Both these numbers continue to climb.

That is why it is vital to supply these employers with the needed skilled workers to fill these jobs. Indiana's Next Level Jobs program continues to offer Workforce Ready Grants and Employer Training Grants to train Hoosiers with new skills to pursue these positions and provide further training to workers already on the job. I encourage workers and employers to visit [NextLevelJobs.org](http://NextLevelJobs.org) to learn more.

Agriculture has always been a big contributor to our state's economy. As technology has reshaped the industry, Hoosiers have always adapted. With new businesses growing and starting in our state, our agricultural roots grow stronger.

*Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch constitutionally serves as the President of the Indiana Senate, statutorily serves as the Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development, chairs the Indiana Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Task Force and oversees four state agencies.*

# A recap of Mr. Trump's presidency

The end of Mr. Trump's presidency is a good time to review the policy landscape of the past four years. As with any president, there are successes and failures as measured against his own standards of success. The rest of us might offer judgments as well.

## Michael Hicks



In the case of our 45th president, I am tempted to call this the good, the bad and the ugly. I review them in order.

First, the good. Mr. Trump's successes include sweeping removal of many of Mr. Obama's executive orders, and regulatory expansion. Regardless of your feelings about the wisdom of any of these orders, Mr. Trump demonstrated the fleeting nature of non-legislative policy maneuvers. Of course, these are likely

to disappear in the coming weeks as well.

Mr. Trump successfully attacked ISIS, and dismantled a deeply flawed Iranian nuclear deal. He also attacked individual Iranian terrorists, sending a stark message to that regime. His policies led to a modest improvement of relations between nations in the Middle East who fear the spread of Iranian terror.

His domestic economic policy successes were limited to tax reform that brought our corporate taxes in-line with other developed nations and reduced loopholes. He made individual income taxes more progressive, and reduced the compliance burden on millions of families. Some of this will remain very popular, and I commented favorably on that policy in this column.

These successes are tempered by lack of follow up. Mr. Trump did little with Congress, so faces the same erasure of his executive orders that faced Mr. Obama. In confronting Iran, he weakened NATO, and offered no follow-up to Iran's violence that would bring to bear a coalition outside the Middle East. He failed to reduce spending or confront any major spending program during the longest economic recovery in history. In short, a lack of vision and discipline meant that his policy victories are written in sand.

Now the bad. Mr. Trump failed to "build a wall" on our southern border, and that which he did complete was paid for by American taxpayers. That was an ineffective plan, so we are lucky he failed, but it also set back an important immigration debate. His predecessors will find it more difficult to reach an immigration compromise because of Mr. Trump, and for that we are all worse off.

He launched a trade war that empowered China, raised taxes on Americans and significantly damaged our manufacturing economy long before anyone heard of COVID. Today, we have fewer factory jobs than when Mr. Trump took office, and a larger trade deficit with China. I think these are bad standards to judge a president by, but these are his own standards. According to them, he failed badly.

After four years we have fewer jobs, more inequality and more modest stock market expansion than when he entered office. Mr. Trump added to the federal rate at nearly twice the speed of any democratic president in 50 years. Even without COVID, Mr. Trump would've racked up the largest federal debt during an economic recovery in U.S. history. But, there was COVID, which falls squarely into the ugly part of his presidency.

COVID will kill well over half a million Americans before we are fully immunized to this round of it. No American president could have prevented a large mortality event. But, if the U.S. response had been as effective as the next worst country, we'd have fewer than half the number of deaths as we have experienced. That is Mr. Trump's doing. He purposefully downplayed the risk of COVID to protect his re-election campaign. He fostered the politicization of simple public health measures and failed to provide test kits, and now it appears, vaccines. He intentionally failed the basic duties of his office.

Mr. Trump's willful lies and negligence helped fuel the spread of the disease and kill somewhere between 250,000 and 400,000 Americans. This came on the tail of an impeachment that should have seen him removed from office for abuse of power.

The final piece of ugliness was the most brazen assault upon our constitutional order by a sitting president in our history. For more than two months, the president carefully crafted not only a lie, but a vast untruth surrounding election fraud. He spread this false narrative — the most perfect example of propaganda in American history — to tens of millions of his supporters. He personally created the ecosystem for a constitutional crisis. He then unleashed a physical assault upon our Congress to obstruct the Constitution.

Four years ago, I wrote a hopeful column describing potential policy achievements of a Trump presidency. Today must be a bitter moment for conservatives hoping his would be a transformational presidency. Instead, conservatives find themselves in disarray, and chained to insurrectionists. Ultimately, his few policy achievements are a mirage, undone by his many flaws. In the end, Mr. Trump's most lasting legacy will be the importance of character, in this the lack thereof, in public service.

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## HISTORY

Today is Saturday, Jan. 30, the 30th day of 2021. There are 335 days left in the year.

### Highlight in history:

On Jan. 30, 1948, Indian political and spiritual leader Mohandas K. Gandhi, 78, was shot and killed in New Delhi by Nathuram Godse, a Hindu extremist. (Godse and a co-conspirator were later executed.)

### On this date:

In 1649, England's King Charles I was executed for high treason.

In 1862, the ironclad USS Monitor was launched from the Continental Iron Works in Greenpoint, New York, during the Civil War.

In 1933, Adolf Hitler became chancellor of Germany. In 1945, during World War II, a Soviet submarine torpedoed the German ship MV Wilhelm Gustloff in the Baltic Sea with the loss of more than 9,000 lives, most of them war refugees; roughly 1,000 people survived.



# LIFESTYLES

## Move over, sourdough – it’s time to make bacon

I was tempted to call this article “The Girl and the Pig,” because I am hooked on bacon. More specifically, I am hooked on my own home-cured bacon. Prompted by a whole lot of time on my hands thanks to sheltering in place, as well as an affinity for charcuterie, I decided to have a

**Lynda Balslev**



go and cure pork belly, aka bacon. I am now here to say that you – any of you – can do this too, and once you try it, there will be

no turning back. Not only are the results positively swoon-worthy, but the process is ridiculously simple, except that you need to plan ahead.

Curing pork belly takes time – a week, in fact – but don’t stop reading. There’s nothing to do in that week except designate a little refrigerator space to your DIY project and remember to flip the pork every other day. The hardest part will be waiting. To make this exercise in patience worthwhile, I encourage you to buy a good amount of pork belly. It’s not expensive, and you might as well reap a generous stash for the time it takes to cure.

All of this may beg the question: What to do with five pounds of home-cured bacon? (Oh, to be so lucky to have that problem.) Well, so far I’ve eaten quite a bit, frozen half, and given some away. While I often use bacon as an ingredient in salads, stews and pasta dishes, this bacon is so good, I only want to eat it straight up, fried in a skillet or baked in the oven. So, in the spirit of simplicity, I’ve included a recipe for caramelized bacon chips, roasted in the oven with sugar and spices.

**Home-Cured Pork Belly**  
*Recipe adapted from Saveur Magazine*  
**Active time: 20 minutes**  
**Total time: 3 hours and 20 minutes, plus 7 days curing time**  
**Yield: Makes 5 pounds**  
5 pounds pork belly with skin  
1/3 cup kosher salt  
1/4 cup granulated sugar  
2 tablespoons black peppercorns  
3 bay leaves  
2 garlic cloves, chopped



Photo by Lynda Balslev for TasteFood

Rinse the pork and pat dry with paper towels. Lay the pork on a large sheet of parchment paper.

Combine the salt, sugar, peppercorns and bay leaves in a mortar or spice grinder. Coarsely pound or grind and then mix in the garlic. Smear the spices all over the pork. Transfer to a large resealable plastic bag, turning to distribute the spices. Place on a rimmed baking tray and refrigerate for 7 days, flipping the bag every second day. After seven days, the pork should feel firm to the touch. If not, refrigerate an additional day and check again.

Remove the bacon from the bag and thoroughly rinse under cold water. Pat dry with paper towels.

Heat the oven to 200 degrees. Place the bacon on a rimmed baking sheet

or baking dish. Roast in the oven until the meat is brown and an instant-read thermometer inserted in the center registers 150 degrees, about 3 hours.

Transfer the bacon to a cutting board. Slice off the skin with a long, thin knife. Cool the bacon to room temperature, then transfer to the refrigerator and cool completely. Once cold, cut into portions, if desired, and wrap in plastic. Store in the refrigerator for up to one week or freeze for up to three months.

**Caramelized Bacon Chips**  
**Active time: 20 minutes**  
**Total time: 20 minutes, plus cooling time**  
**Yield: Makes 12 ounces**

1 cup light brown sugar  
12 ounces thinly sliced

bacon, cut in 2-to-3-inch strips  
1/2 teaspoon cayenne, or to taste  
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon, or to taste  
Heat the oven to 350 degrees.

Spread the sugar on a small plate. Dredge the bacon in the sugar, making sure that a good amount sticks. Arrange the bacon in a single layer on a grill pan or in a cast iron skillet. Sprinkle the cayenne and cinnamon over the bacon.

Transfer to the oven and bake until deep golden brown, without burning, turning once with a spatula, 12 to 15 minutes.

Remove from the oven and transfer the bacon to a plate lined with parchment paper. Cool completely. The chips will continue to crisp as they cool.

## Another urgent item for Biden’s to-do list: The looming Social Security Funding crisis

When you inherit a mess, as President Joe Biden has, everyone needs you to make their issue a priority.

The coronavirus is still spreading, causing thousands of deaths each day, and we can’t get enough vaccine in the arms of

**Michelle Singletary**



people to stop it or at least slow it down.

People are struggling to pay their rent or mortgages or put food on the table. Last week,

900,000 people filed new unemployment claims.

Biden is moving fast to help. He has extended the payment pause for federal student loans until September. By executive order, he has extended a freeze on evictions nationwide through the end of March. Biden also extended to March a moratorium on foreclosures and evictions for borrowers with federally guaranteed mortgages.

But there’s another matter that should get Biden’s immediate attention. Right now, while the Democrats control the House and Senate, Biden needs to put this on his to-do list: fixing Social Security.

Many young adults already believe Social Security won’t be around for them to collect. Although Social Security isn’t bankrupt, it’s certainly facing a serious shortfall in income to cover promised payments.

“Social Security and Medicare both face long-term financing shortfalls under currently scheduled benefits and financing,” according to the 2020 trustee report for the Social Security and Medicare trust funds.

The reserves of the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund (OASI), which pays retirement and survivor benefits, will be unable to pay full benefits by 2034, the Social Security Board of Trustees projected. Without legislative action, in little more than a decade, the OASI will have enough tax income to pay out only 76 percent of scheduled payments.

The Disability Insurance Trust Fund, which pays disability benefits, is in slightly better shape. The fund will have enough money coming in to cover 92 percent of scheduled benefits. The disability trust fund is healthier, in part, because applications have been decreasing since 2010. The number of disabled-worker beneficiaries receiving payments has also declined.

However, given the impact of the coronavirus on millions of individuals, the solvency of the disability trust fund may be in jeopardy sooner than the projections show.

In an update last April, the trustees noted that the pandemic could affect the financial health of the funds. “The duration and severity of the pandemic will affect the estimates ... and the financial status of the program, particularly in the short term,” said Social Security Commissioner Andrew Saul.

And now we know that some people are having health issues long after recovering from the virus. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has reported that long-term symptoms have included joint pain, respiratory abnormalities, inflammation of the heart muscle and depression.

In November, the Social Security Administration’s Office of the Chief Actuary released an update noting that the effects of the

pandemic and the recession on the trust funds “will be significant.”

More people unemployed means less payroll taxes collected. Low interest rates may help boost consumer spending, but that also means less income earned on the securities held by the trust funds, the Peter G. Peterson Foundation pointed out in a blog post last year.

The virus-related economic downturn will probably accelerate the timing of the shortfalls, according to a brief by the Bipartisan Policy Center.

Social Security is the financial lifeline for millions of Americans. Fifty-seven percent of retirees rely on Social Security as their major source of income, according to a 2018 Gallup poll.

President Donald Trump left office without taking any action to fix Social Security.

One solution often touted is raising the income threshold for the Social Security payroll tax. This year, the maximum amount of earnings subject to the Social Security tax will increase to \$142,800, up from \$137,700. Earnings above the maximum are not subject to the Social Security tax, which is 6.2 percent for employees and a matching 6.2 percent for employers.

There’s no income cap for the Medicare tax, which is 2.9 percent. (Employers pay 1.45 percent and employees cover the other half.). The self-employed pay the entire 12.4 percent for Society Security and 2.9 percent for Medicare.

Of the 178 million workers with earnings in Social Security-covered employment in 2019, about 6 percent had earnings that equaled or exceeded the maximum amount subject to taxes, according to the Social Security Administration.

During his campaign, Biden said that, if elected, he would address the solvency problem by adding a new tier of FICA contributions for high-earners. He recommends applying the payroll tax to income above \$400,000, which would still extend the life of the trust funds by only about five years, according to a report by the Urban Institute.

“The plan he has outlined will ensure benefit cuts are never on the table while putting Social Security on a path to long-term solvency by asking the wealthy to pay their fair share,” White House spokeswoman Rosemary Boeglin said in an email.

On the White House website, the Biden administration listed its “immediate priorities” – containing the coronavirus, encouraging a clean-energy revolution, addressing systemic racism, providing relief to people struggling with the economic fallout from the pandemic, providing affordable health care, reforming immigration, and finally restoring America’s global standing.

It’s an ambitious list. Every action is worthy of Biden’s attention now, but tackling the looming Social Security crisis needs top billing, too.

*Readers can write to Michelle Singletary c/o The Washington Post, 1301 K St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20071. Her email address is michelle.singletary@washpost.com. Follow her on Twitter (@SingletaryM) or Facebook (www.facebook.com/MichelleSingletary). Comments and questions are welcome, but due to the volume of mail, personal responses may not be possible. Please also note comments or questions may be used in a future column, with the writer’s name, unless a specific request to do otherwise is indicated.*

## Interest continues to grow in inaugural poet Amanda Gorman

**By HILLEL ITALIE**  
AP National Writer

NEW YORK — Within hours of Amanda Gorman’s reading of the inaugural poem last week, bookstores were hearing from their customers.

“Hopefully this will be a bridge that brings a lot of people to poetry,” says Mike Wysock, who manages The Book Stall in Winnetka, Illinois.

Interest in the 22-year-old Gorman and demand for her work has not slowed down since much of the world discovered her and “The Hill We Climb,” a highlight of the ceremony marking President Joe Biden’s assuming office. Two books scheduled for September, the picture story “The Change We Sing” and a poetry collection featuring “The Hill We Climb” have occupied the top two spots on Amazon.com for the past week. The release of the fourth-ranked book, a standalone edition of “The Hill We Climb,” has been moved up from April 27 to March 16 and will include



Kent Nishimura / Los Angeles Times / TNS

**U.S. Poet Laureate Amanda Gorman reads a poem during the 59th presidential inauguration in Washington, D.C. on Jan. 20.**

a foreword from Oprah Winfrey.

Each of the three books have announced first printings of 1 million copies, Penguin announced Thursday, numbers that virtually no poet would dare even fantasize about. Gorman, who at 17 became the country’s National Youth Poet Laureate, is a longtime Los Angeles resident who credits poetry with helping her work on a speech impediment. “The incredible attention

Amanda is receiving as a poet is entirely unprecedented,” says Jennifer Benka, president and executive director of the Academy of American Poets, which saw traffic on its website soar after the Jan. 20 inaugural. “Her poem and presentation has provoked a response to a poet we’ve never seen.”

Gorman’s life has become unusual for a poet in other ways too: She has signed a deal for fashion and beauty endorsement with IMG Mod-

els, where other clients include model Kate Moss and tennis star Naomi Osaka, and she will soon be appearing at another global event: She will read an original poem Feb. 7 at the Super Bowl in Tampa, Florida, where she will offer tribute to three people – educator Trimaine Davis, nurse manager Suzie Dörner and Marine veteran James Martin – for their contributions during the pandemic.

Gorman is by far the youngest of the poets to read at presidential inaugurations since Robert Frost was invited to John F. Kennedy’s in 1961. The only inaugural poem to approach the popularity of “The Hill We Climb” is the late Maya Angelou’s “On the Pulse of the Morning,” which she read at the 1993 ceremony for President Bill Clinton. A bound edition went on to sell more than 1 million copies, though Angelou at the time was already famous for her memoir “I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings.” Gorman had never published a book before this year.



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### ASSEMBLY OF GOD


**Gospel Light Assembly of God**, 347 Southwood Drive. Pastor Neil Jeffrey. Sunday School 9:45am (all ages). Morning worship service 10:30am. Evening service 6pm. Wednesday midweek service 7pm; Kids' Korral Wednesday 7pm. Youth meeting 7pm (ages 12-19).

 **Sweetwater Assembly of God**, 2551 SR 114 E, North Manchester. (260) 982-6179. Sunday worship 9am & 10:45am. Sunday evening outreach groups & youth ministry 5-7pm. Wednesday 6:30pm adult/teen bible study, 6:30pm Kidz Zone (K thru 6th grade). All worship services streaming online and on our Facebook page.


### BAPTIST

**Emmanuel Free Will Baptist**, 129 Southwood Drive. Pastor Terry Hinds. (260) 563-3009. Sunday School 9:30am. Sunday Worship 10:30am & 6pm; Children's Church 10:30am. Wednesday morning prayer service 11am. Wednesday Prayer meeting 6pm. Transportation available. Sunday worship services streaming on our Facebook page

**Southside Free Will Baptist**, 360 Columbus Street. Pastor Tim Webb. Sunday School 10am. Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening 6pm. Wednesday Evening 6pm. Sunday worship services streaming online

 **Wabash Free Will Baptist Church**, 1056 Erie Street. Wednesday evening prayer meeting 6pm. Sunday School 10am, Church 11am; evening service 6pm.

### CATHOLIC

 **St. Bernard Catholic Church**, corner of Cass & Sinclair. Father Levi Nkwocha. Masses will resume, with safety restrictions, beginning May 23-24, 2020. Everyone attending Mass must wear a face mask. Masses: Saturday 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m.; Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15 a.m.


 **St. Patrick's Catholic Church**, Main Street in Lagro, Welcomes You Back! New Service Time 11:00 AM Sunday, October 4, Sunday November 1 and Sunday December 6. In keeping with COVID-19 State Rules, please wear a mask and socially distance. Let Us Worship Together.

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH

 **Christian Heritage Church**, 2776 River Road. (260) 569-7710. Pastor Tim Prater. Sunday 8:30am. Radio Ministry 95.9 WKUZ. Sunday School 9:30am. Morning Service 10:30am. Sunday evening 6pm. Wednesday evening 6pm. Online services on Sunday at 10:30 am and Wednesday 6:00 pm

**LaFontaine Christian Church**, 202 Bruner Pike, LaFontaine. Minister Brad Wright. (765) 981-2101. Worship 9am & 10:30am, Nursery & Jr. Church available. Online Services available on our website


### CHURCH OF CHRIST

 **Church of Christ**, Wabash (corner of N Wabash Street and US 24). Evangelist Josh Fennell (260) 563-8234. Sunday School 9am. Morning Worship 10am. Evening Worship 6:30pm. Wednesday Service 7pm. Wednesday Kid's Jam 7pm.


### CHURCH OF GOD

**First Church of God**, 525 N. Miami Street. Pastor Robert Rensberger. (260) 563-5346. Sunday School at 9:15am, for all ages. Continental breakfast at 10am. Sunday Morning Worship is at 10:30am. Nursery care is available during worship service. Stair lift available.


### CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

 **Wabash Church of the Brethren**, 645 Bond Street (off Falls Avenue). Pastor Doug Veal. (260) 563-5291. Wherever you are on life's journey, come join us as we continue the work of Jesus... Peacefully, Simply, Together. Sunday School 9:30am. Worship 10:30am. Children's church and nursery available during worship. Online Service through website or conference call.


### DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

 **Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**, 110 W. Hill St., Wabash; Rev. Haley Asberry, Minister; phone: 260-563-4179; website: www.wabashchristian.org. Worship Service 9:30 a.m.; Fellowship 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Nursery provided. Find us on Facebook. Services streaming on our website and Facebook.

### FRIENDS CHURCH

 **Wabash Friends Church**, 3563 S State Rd 13. (260) 563-8452. Lead Pastor, Brandon Eaton. Join us for in-person worship at 8:30AM or 10:45AM, or via live-stream on Facebook at 10:45AM. Children's programming available infants - 6th grade. Sunday school for all ages at 9:45AM. Youth (7th-12th) Sunday evenings at 6:30PM.

### INDEPENDENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

 **Bachelor Creek Church of Christ**, 4 miles north of Wabash on St. Rd. 15; phone 260-563-4109; website: bachelorcreek.com; Worship Minister - Michael Eaton, Student Minister - David Diener, Children's Minister - Tyler Leland, Middle School & Small Groups Minister - Nate Plyler, Next Steps & Outreach Minister - Ryan Keim, Women's Director- Taylor McFarland, Early Childhood Director - Janet Legesse. Worship 9:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.


### LUTHERAN


**Living Faith Lutheran Church (NALC)**, 242 S. Huntington St., Wabash, IN. Worship begins each Sunday morning at 10:10 a.m. with Bible study classes for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us for worship. Worship Services live streamed on our website. www.LivingFaithWabash.org

**Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA)**, 1500 S Wabash Street. Pastor Dr. Kent Young. (260) 563-6626. We worship our Lord each Sunday at 9:30am with Gospel-based message and Holy Communion. There is a time of fellowship and refreshments immediately following the service. We are handicap accessible and everyone is welcome at Trinity! tlwabash@gmail.com.

### UNITED METHODIST

 **North Manchester United Methodist Church**, 306 E Second Street, North Manchester. Pastor Steve Bahrt. (260) 982-7537. Worship Service 8:15am & 10:30am. Coffee Fellowship 9am. Sunday School 9:30am.

 **Richvalley United Methodist Church**, 290 N Jefferson. (260) 563-1033. Pastor Jack Suits. Worship service begins at 9:30am. Nursery available. Sunday School begins at 10:45am for all age.

 **Roann United Methodist Church**, Corner of Adams and Arnold Street, Roann. Pastor Wayne Balmer. (765) 833-2931. Worship Celebration 9am. Sunday School 10:15am.



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**Catholic Church Province of Indianapolis**

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**Christ United Methodist Church**

On Sunday, Jan. 31 worship service at Christ United Methodist Church, 477 N. Wabash St., is at 10 a.m. Pastor Tom Richards' scripture reading will be Matthew 5:9 with a sermon reflection titled, "The Believer's Peace." Worship service will also be live streamed on our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/ChristUMCWabash/](http://www.facebook.com/ChristUMCWabash/).

**Christian Heritage Church**

Streaming services online and broadcast on 95.9 FM.

**College Corner Brethren Church**

Pastor Joe Bellone's sermons are posted (with hand-outs) on both Facebook and YouTube under "College Corner Brethren Church."

**Common Ground Prayer House**

The Common Ground Prayer House will be open to the public from 8 to 10 a.m. Mondays, except holidays, at 78 W. Hill St. COVID-19 precautions will be taken in the form of masks being worn by prayer house representatives and social distancing. For more information, call Jennifer Mahan at 260-571-8063, Shirley Neale at 260-591-0047 or Debbie Sweet at 260-571-6072.

**Dora Christian Church**

At the Sunday, Jan. 31 services at the Dora Christian Church in Lagro, the minister will be Mark Wisniewski, the song leader will be Olman Sanchez, the pianist Sherry Brock and the organist Kristy Good. We are still having two in-person morning Sunday Services at 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., with Sunday School Classes for all ages from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Preacher Mark Wisniewski's message for this Sunday will be "Can (or Should) America Survive the Impending Famine?" from Amos 8:11-12 as a part of the ongoing sermon series, "A Nation Under Judgment." The Communion Table will be served by Brad Frieden and Scott Hendry. It is Family Sunday, therefore there will be no Children's Church for either service. If you can't make it to the Live Services, Preacher Mark Wisniewski's sermon will be posted on the Dora Christian Church Facebook group Sunday morning for all to see.

**LaFontaine Christian Church**

The LaFontaine Christian Church pre-records the sermon which is then available for all to view at [www.lafontainechristian.com](http://www.lafontainechristian.com) under the sermons tab, stated Pastor Brad Wright.

**LaFontaine United Methodist Church**

Pastor Susan Shambaugh says that her LaFontaine United Methodist Church is live-streaming on their Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/LaFontaine-United-Methodist-Church> and that it may be accessed as a video afterward.

**Lincolnville United Methodist Church**

Lincolnville United Methodist Church, 5848 E. 500 South, will continue to hold online services at 10 a.m. Sundays. Services may be found on the Lincolnville UMC Facebook page. Starting in February, there will be two worship services and no Sunday school. The first worship service will be at 9 a.m. and the second worship service at 10:30 a.m. Pastor John Cook asks parishioners to call or text him at 260-563-1406 and RSVP with which service, number of people attending and phone number. Coffee and bottled water will be offered, but no snacks. Pastor John Cook asks parishioners to wear a face mask. For more information, email pastor [john1954@gmail.com](mailto:john1954@gmail.com) or call 260-563-1406.

**Living Faith Lutheran Church**

Welcome to our in-person worship service at 10:10 a.m. Sundays at Living Faith Lutheran Church, 242 S. Huntington St. Bible study and Sunday school are at 9 a.m. for all ages. The sanctuary is arranged for social distancing. Masks are encouraged and available. Online services are at 10:10 a.m., with pre-service

music at 10 a.m. For virtual services and more information, visit [www.livingfaithwabash.org](http://www.livingfaithwabash.org).

**Manchester Church of the Brethren**

Pastor Kurt Borgmann from the Manchester Church of the Brethren stated they will hold a live-stream service at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday by visiting [www.manchestercob.net](http://www.manchestercob.net). Scroll to the bottom of the home page and click on the black button that says, "Manchester CoB YouTube Channel." After the service is finished, one may access a video copy of the live-stream in the same way. Another way to access the live-stream or posted video: go to YouTube, search "Manchester Church of the Brethren," and click on the circle profile.

**North Manchester Congregational Christian Church**

Pastor Sebrena Cline stated live streaming begins on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sundays for the North Manchester Congregational Christian Church, and lasts 30 to 40 minutes.

**North Manchester Missionary Church**

The North Manchester Missionary Church is streaming live on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sunday. The video is then placed on their webpage, which can be viewed by visiting NMMC1.com.

**Olive Branch Church of God**

The Olive Branch Church of God live-streams Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. Find it through Facebook, by searching Olive Branch Church, or by visiting [www.facebook.com/myolivebranchchurch](http://www.facebook.com/myolivebranchchurch) or through the church website [www.olivebranch.church](http://www.olivebranch.church). Click "Live Streaming" at the top, then click the series icon (lion head).

**Roann United Methodist Church**

Pastor Wayne Balmer will have service at 9 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 24 online taken from Proverbs 27:17 and Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 titled, "Pass It On."

Pastor Wayne Balmer will have open service at the church along with being online at 9 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 31. The sermon will be taken from Psalm 100 titled, "Sing a Joyful Song." We will be celebrating November, December and January birthdays.

**Southside Free Will Baptist**

Streaming on their Facebook page.

**Sweetwater Assembly of God**

Streaming services online using the normal service schedule.

**Urbana Yoke Parish**

Rev. Larry Wade of the Urbana Yoke Parish stated that his congregation posts Sunday services to [www.urbanayokeparish.com](http://www.urbanayokeparish.com). Go to the menu line at the top of the page and select "Worship Videos." The most recent one will appear first. Sunday services are posted by noon every Tuesday.

**Wabash Church of the Brethren**

At the Wabash Church of the Brethren, Pastor Doug Veal is holding a Zoom meeting each Sunday for worship. The meeting is open at 10:15 a.m. so that everyone can be connected by 10:30 a.m. Join this church service by visiting <https://zoom.us/j/393263884> or by calling 312-626-6799 and enter meeting ID No. 393 263 884.

**Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**

Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) offers streaming at 9:30 a.m. Sundays both on their website at [wabashchristian.org](http://wabashchristian.org) and

Facebook page, Wabash Christian Church. The minister is Rev. Haley Asberry.

**Wabash Church of the Nazarene**

Pastor Kirk Johnson, of the Wabash Church of the Nazarene, stated their service is available on YouTube on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Find it by going to YouTube and search for "Wabash Nazarene" or search Facebook for the Wabash Church of the Nazarene. Another option is to visit [www.wabashnaz.com](http://www.wabashnaz.com), look for the home page, and find "Latest Sermon."

**Wabash First Church of God**

In the 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 31 worship service at Wabash First Church of God, 525 N. Miami St., Pastor Robb Rensberger will speak on "The Great Commission." The sermon may also be seen on YouTube under Wabash 1st Church and heard at 11 a.m. Sunday on 105.9 FM. While in the church building, masks are optional but we do practice social distancing. Sunday Servants are Todd Eltzroth, chairperson; Sherry Whitt, worship; Rose Sands, piano and Nancy Kolb, organ.

**Walk By Faith Community Church**

Pastor Greg Wilburn of Roann's Walk By Faith Community Church says to access his online sermons at [www.walkbyfaithcommunitychurch.com](http://www.walkbyfaithcommunitychurch.com).

**Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash**

Pastor Jerry Gauthier says that the Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash is streaming through their Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/zionwabash](http://www.facebook.com/zionwabash) at 10:30 a.m. Sundays.

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Dear Abby



She's mentioned several times that with all the work of being a new parent plus the extra work involved with a child with special needs, she often doesn't have time to prepare healthy meals and reverts to junk food that she can grab easily. Ordinarily, I'd bring over a few meals to help out, but that's impossible to do when she's so far away.

Restaurant gift cards would be an option, but unfortunately she and her husband don't have the time to go to one. I'm hoping you might have other ideas on how I can help out from afar. — Puzzled About Helping

**DEAR PUZZLED:** Go online and research food delivery services in the city or town where your friend lives. Some businesses deliver prepared meals on a weekly basis. Other companies ship boxes of wonderful fruits every month. But before doing anything, ASK your overwhelmed friend what she and her husband think might be helpful rather than try to second-guess.

**DEAR ABBY:** I'd like to know if there is a nice way of asking my niece and her boyfriend, who are in their mid- to late-20s, not to bring their phones to the dinner table? I have spent days preparing for and cooking holiday meals. The evening was less than enjoyable for me because they were only partly there, and spent most of their time texting and presumably on Facebook.

It's awkward to ask an adult to practice good manners. Any words of wisdom will be much appreciated. — Well-Mannered Lady In The West

**DEAR LADY:** Explain to your niece that you spend a lot of time, money and effort on presenting these meals, and that you were hurt and offended at their apparent lack of appreciation. It's the truth. Do not preoccupy yourself with trying to be nice or you will weaken the message. Some families solve this problem by insisting their guests place their cellphones in a basket before dinner and reclaim them as they depart. (Just a thought!)

**DEAR ABBY:** My friend from church casually mentioned that he and his wife recently helped themselves to several buckets of sand from a national park. I'm beside myself trying to understand how they can justify pillaging a natural resource so they can pretend they are at the beach. It's beyond selfish and just plain wrong. What can I say to convince them to return it? Can you help me navigate this conversation while still maintaining the friendship? — Shocked In Hawaii

**DEAR SHOCKED:** Start by pointing out to your friends that there are serious penalties for doing what he and his wife did. I ran your letter by my former personal assistant, Winni, who lives in Hawaii. She informed me that, according to the Department of Land and Natural Resources, stealing sand from the beaches is not only against the law, but also punishable with fines of upwards of \$100,000.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at [www.DearAbby.com](http://www.DearAbby.com) or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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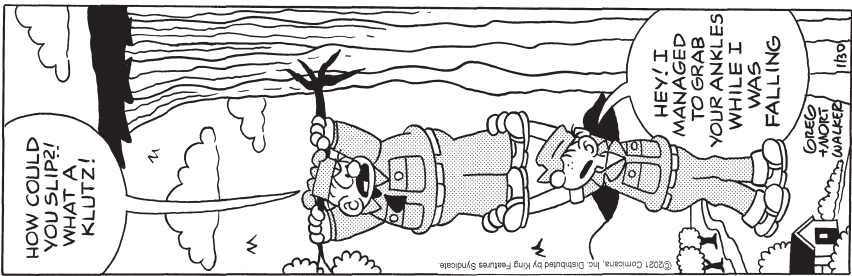
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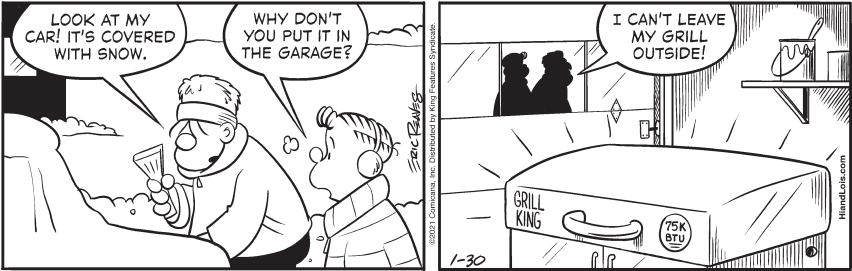
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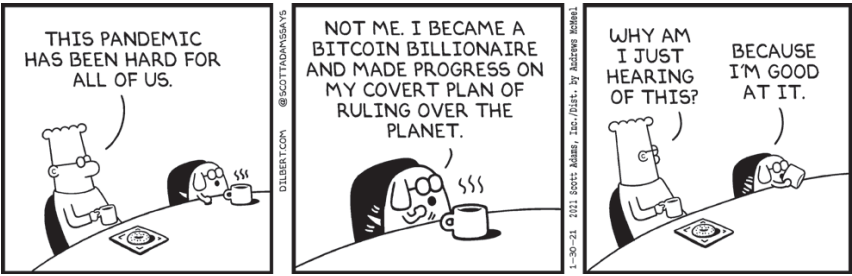
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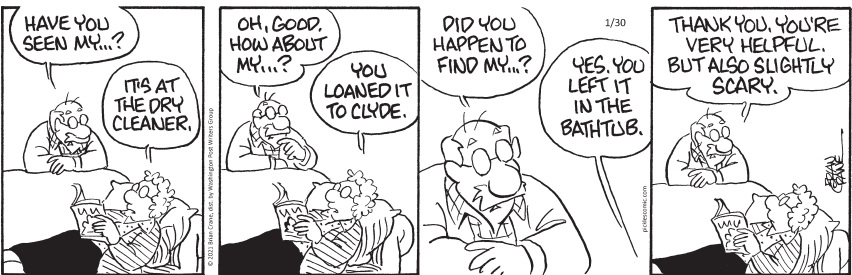
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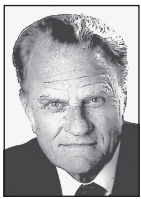


Meekness and forbearance are 'musts' to living in harmony

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

**Q:** Society has lost a lot this past year and it seems there is more cynicism, more hatred, and more unhappiness in general. Why must people resort to name-calling and always looking for fault in others? — D.D.

Billy Graham My Answer



**A:** Many people are quick with the deadly thrust but slow with the ointment of healing. The harsh criticism of others and unfair appraisals of those about us sting with pain. The unjust condemnation of others has a boomerang effect. When we hurl vindictive indictments with the hope of crippling others, we discover that we hurt ourselves more. Many people are conflicted

today because they are driven away by their own bitterness and harsh words to those who may also need a kind word. Many people go through their entire lives with a chip on their shoulder, carrying hurts and resentments over things that were said or done decades ago. Like a poison, their bitterness has made not only their own lives miserable but the lives of those around them. They have never learned the secret of forgiveness and forbearance.

The Bible warns us to be on guard "lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble" (Hebrews 12:15). Meekness and forbearance are "musts" if we are to live harmoniously in society and develop healthy homes, families, and friendships. While Christians must always speak the truth, we must do it in love. The Bible tells us to "speak evil of no one, [be] peaceable, gentle, showing all humility to all" (Titus 3:2).

CELEBRITY CIPHER by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

"B'W H GTCBPHN PHCABPRAK. B'W VHAUERA FBKI, NRTHN, DRWLGBWLD DGMZZRAK, HKU B URK'G ZLNBXL BK HDGARNRIT." — SRKHV CLALGG

Previous Solution: "I'm an Aries ... I get slightly disturbed and ... distressed and flustered if things go awry." — Mandy Moore

TODAY'S CLUE: F enqals R



# Norse girls come out on top against Knights

Northfield traveled to Rochester on Thursday; Southwood hosted North Miami on Friday

By ALINA REED  
Wabash Plain Dealer Freelance Reporter

On Tuesday, Jan. 27, Northfield girls basketball teams hosted Southwood in a county contest.

Starting for the Norse was senior Addi Baker, senior Kearston Stout, senior Kenzie Baer, senior Kyra Kennedy and senior Emma Hoover. Starting for Southwood was sophomore Ella Hauptert, sophomore Alaina Winder, sophomore Aleia Sweet, junior Bailey Wyatt and senior Maggie Ball.

With adrenaline high, both teams were looking for a win. Northfield was able to take the lead in the first quarter with their strong offense. The end of the first quarter finished at 20-10, Norse lead.

As the second quarter began, the girls on the court felt the heat. There were several moments of falling and tripping on the court resulting in multiple turnovers. Defense for both

teams remained strong through the quarter. Kennedy was able to score at the buzzer leaving the halftime score at 38-17.

The third quarter remained static as Northfield continued to hold double the points of Southwood. The third quarter finished with the scoreboard at 54-28.

“Overall our game was really strong, but we need to work on making open shots when we have the opportunity,” said Kennedy.

Southwood lost their drive as fourth quarter approached. In an attempt to keep the ball in bounds, Baer hit the ball resulting in her slamming into the bleachers. Junior Addy Rosen was put in as a replacement for the remainder of the quarter. The fourth quarter came to a close with the Norse on top. The final score ended at 63-34.

Scoring for Northfield was Kennedy with 21 points, Baker with 12 points, Stout with 10 points and Hoover with nine

points.

Top scoring for Southwood was Hauptert with 15 points, Wyatt with 11 points, Ball with four and Sweet with three.

“We really focused on our aggressive defense in this game which lead to steals,” said Baker. “Being able to work on fast breaks and running the floor during this game will benefit us with our future games.”

Junior varsity also took home a win for the Lady Norse by winning 43-21. Top scoring was freshman Eden Hoover with 16 points, Rosen with seven points, junior Ainsley Dale with seven points and freshman Hannah Holmes with three points.

Top scoring for Southwood was junior Mya Denney with eight points, freshman Macy Barney with seven points, freshman Carrie Collins with four points and freshman Bailey Miller with two points.

The Lady Norse traveled to Rochester at 6:15 p.m. Thursday. The Lady Knights hosted North Miami at 5 p.m. Friday.

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Northfield senior Kyra Kennedy blocks Southwood sophomore Aleia Sweet.

# Manchester men’s and women’s track and field picked third in HCAC preseason polls

Fourteen Spartans were named ‘Athletes to Watch’ by the league on Monday morning

By DILLON BENDER

The Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (HCAC) announced its 2021 indoor track and field preseason polls on Monday, January 25. Both the Manchester University men’s and women’s indoor track and field teams were slated to finish third at this year’s conference championships.

On the men’s side, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology was the unanimous favorite to repeat as conference champions. The Fightin’ Engineers received 100 points in Monday’s poll. RHIT has won 10 straight HCAC Indoor Championships.

The Hanover College men were picked to finish second at this year’s championships with 85 points. Manchester University earned a close third-place predicted finish with 76 points. Earlham College (57) and Franklin College (57) rounded out the top half of Monday’s preseason poll.

On the women’s side, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology narrowly led Monday’s poll with 93 points. The Hanover College



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Lauren Smith, left, and Hannah Brubaker, right), were both named “Athletes to Watch.”

women were picked to finish second at this year’s championships with 91 points. Manchester University earned a close third-place predicted finish with 86 points. Bluffton University (67) and Franklin College (54) rounded out the top half of Monday’s preseason poll. Fourteen Spartans were named “Athletes to Watch” by the league on Monday morning.

## 2021 HCAC Men’s Indoor Track and Field Poll

- 1. Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology – 100 points
- 2. Hanover College – 85

- points
- 3. Manchester University – 76 points
- 4. Earlham College – 57 points
- 4. Franklin College – 57 points
- 6. Bluffton University – 56 points
- 7. Anderson University – 33 points
- 7. Mount St. Joseph University – 33 points
- 9. Transylvania University – 30 points
- 10. Defiance College – 23 points

## 2021 HCAC Women’s Indoor Track and Field Poll

- 1. Rose-Hulman In-

- stitute of Technology – 93 points
- 2. Hanover College – 91 points
- 3. Manchester University – 86 points
- 4. Bluffton University – 67 points
- 5. Franklin College – 54 points
- 6. Earlham College – 46 points
- 7. Mount St. Joseph University – 34 points
- 8. Transylvania University – 33 points
- 9. Anderson University – 31 points
- 10. Defiance College – 15 points

Dillon Bender is the sports information director for Manchester University.

# Black and Gold finish second at Rose-Hulman

Four event wins by MU highlighted the action Friday, Jan. 22

By DILLON BENDER

The Manchester University indoor track and field teams were in action for the first time this year on Friday night. The Spartans opened the season at the Friday Night Spikes Meet hosted by Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.

The Rose-Hulman men led the three-team field with 96 points. The Black and Gold men earned a second-place team finish with 30 points, while the Franklin men earned 19 points. The RHIT women earned 88 points on Friday. Manchester’s women tallied 42 points while the Franklin women scored 14 points.

Four event wins by Manchester highlighted the action on the evening of Friday, Jan. 22.

## Men’s leaders

Senior Brian Hochstetler, from Elkhart and Concord High School, won the men’s shot put. Hochstetler led the field with a top throw of 13.86 meters (45’ 5 3/4”). Sophomore Ben Villafuerte, from Angola, placed right behind Hochstetler, earning a runner-up finish in the shot put with a throw of 13.72m (45’ 1/4”).

Gabe Hendricks, from Fort Wayne and Bishop Leurs High School, Conner Sherwin, from Pierceton and Whitko High School, and Joe Garling, from Cedar Lake and Hanover Central High School, placed 1-2-3 in the weight throw. Hendricks led the field with a top distance of 14.54m (47’ 8 1/2”). Sherwin’s top throw in the event went for 14.38, (47’ 2 1/4”) while Garling’s best mark was 14.17m (46’ 6”).

Sophomore Enrique Salazar, from Plymouth, legged out an exciting event win

in the 3000m. Leading for much of the race, Salazar fell behind Rose-Hulman’s Nolan Goss on the final lap. Salazar then tracked down Goss and passed him over the final 100m of the race to earn the first-place finish. Salazar posted a time of 8:55.50, while Goss clocked in at 8:55.59. Connor Havens, from LaPorte, and Thomas Richardson, Ladoga and Southmont High School, placed third and fourth in the 3000m with times of 9:00.17 and 9:09.36.

## Women’s leaders

Freshman Tanner Greenholt, from Lowell, won the women’s shot put with a top hurl of 10.57 meters (34’ 8 1/4”). Senior Tara Conley, from Culver and Knox High School, won the women’s weight throw with a top distance of 14.01m (45’ 11 3/4”) Junior Erica Mohr, from Payne, Ohio and Wayne Trace High School, placed second in the weight

throw and third in the shot put with respective distances of 13.48m (44’ 2 3/4”) and 9.27m (30’ 5”).

Kelsey Tyler, from Rochester, and Hannah Brubaker, from Goshen and Northwood High School, went 1-2 in the women’s 3000m. Tyler topped the field with a time of 10:57.56 while Brubaker crossed the finish line at 11:06.61.

Sophomore Adelle Staneko, from Okemos, Michigan, earned a runner-up finish in the women’s long jump. Stanko’s best mark of the night was 4.80m (15’ 9”).

Senior Elizabeth Russell, from Columbia City, placed second in the 60-meter hurdles with a time of 11.08. Sophomore Brooke Bouwens, from Clarksville, Michigan and Lakewood High School, placed second in the 200-meter dash clocking in a time of 29.45.

Dillon Bender is the sports information director for Manchester University.

# MU volleyball drops doubleheader at Defiance

Spartans to host Hanover College in another doubleheader on Saturday

By DILLON BENDER

The host Defiance College Yellow Jackets swept the visiting Manchester University Spartans in a volleyball doubleheader on Wednesday, Jan. 27.

■ **Match 1:** Defiance Won 3-1, 25-19, 25-18, 20-25, 25-19.

■ **Match 2:** Defiance Won 3-1, 25-13, 23-25, 25-11, 25-19.

Sophomore Halle Planck, from Gas City and Mississinewa High School, led the Spartans (1-7, 0-2 HCAC) with 16 total kills on the night. Helaina Walters, from Marion and Eastbrook High School, chipped in 12 kills over the two matches on Wednesday night. Joy Maze, from Greenwood and Greenwood Community High School, reached double figures in kills with 11.

Samantha Campbell, from Brownsburg, collected 6

block assists in the first match on Wednesday night.

Over the night’s two matches, Mackenzie Rooks, from Columbus and Columbus North High School, totaled 22 digs while Rachel Ressler, from Tipton, added 19 digs.

Freshman Jordan Holland, from Osceola and Mishawaka High School, handed out 28 assists in the first match of the night.

Mackenzie Benham paced the Yellow Jackets with 25 kills over Wednesday’s matches.

DC also racked up 24 total service aces on the night.

The Spartans are scheduled to return to Stauffer-Wolfe Arena on Saturday, Jan. 30, to host Hanover College in a doubleheader.

The first serve on Saturday is scheduled for 1 p.m.

Dillon Bender is the sports information director at Manchester University.

## SCOREBOARD

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Virginia	7	0	1.000	11	2	.846
Florida St.	6	1	.857	10	2	.833
Virginia Tech	6	2	.750	12	3	.800
North Carolina	6	3	.667	11	5	.688
Louisville	5	3	.625	10	4	.714
Pittsburgh	4	3	.571	8	4	.667
Duke	4	3	.571	6	5	.545
Clemson	4	4	.500	10	4	.714
Georgia Tech	3	3	.500	7	5	.583
Syracuse	3	4	.429	9	5	.643
NC State	3	4	.429	7	5	.583
Notre Dame	2	6	.250	5	9	.357
Miami	2	8	.200	6	9	.400
Boston College	1	6	.143	3	10	.231
Wake Forest	1	7	.125	4	7	.364

Saturday's Games

Clemson at Duke, Noon  
Miami at Wake Forest, 2 p.m.  
Florida St. at Georgia Tech, 4 p.m.  
Virginia at Virginia Tech, 6 p.m.  
Notre Dame at Pittsburgh, 8 p.m.  
Boston College at Louisville, ppd.

Sunday's Game

NC State at Syracuse, 6 p.m.

BIG TEN CONFERENCE

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Michigan	8	1	.889	13	1	.929
Iowa	6	2	.750	12	3	.800
Wisconsin	7	3	.700	13	4	.765
Illinois	6	3	.667	10	5	.667
Ohio St.	7	4	.636	13	4	.765
Purdue	6	4	.600	11	6	.647
Rutgers	5	6	.455	9	6	.600
Minnesota	4	5	.444	11	5	.688
Indiana	4	5	.444	9	7	.563
Maryland	3	7	.300	9	8	.529
Northwestern	3	7	.300	6	8	.429
Michigan St.	2	5	.286	8	5	.615
Penn St.	2	6	.250	5	7	.417
Nebraska	0	5	.000	4	8	.333

Saturday's Games

Wisconsin at Penn St., 3 p.m.  
Minnesota at Purdue, 7:30 p.m.  
Indiana at Michigan, ppd.  
Penn St. at Nebraska, ppd.

Sunday's Games

Michigan St. at Ohio St., 1 p.m.  
Rutgers at Northwestern, 7:30 p.m.

MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Toledo	9	1	.900	14	4	.778
Akron	7	2	.778	9	3	.750
Kent St.	5	3	.625	8	4	.667
Bowling Green	6	4	.600	10	6	.625
Miami (Ohio)	4	3	.571	7	5	.583
Buffalo	4	3	.571	6	5	.545
Ohio	5	4	.556	9	6	.600
Ball St.	4	4	.500	6	7	.462
Cent. Michigan	2	6	.250	6	9	.400
N. Illinois	1	6	.143	2	10	.167
W. Michigan	1	6	.143	2	10	.167
E. Michigan	1	7	.125	4	8	.333

Saturday's Games

New Jersey at Buffalo, 1 p.m.  
Boston at Washington, 7 p.m.  
Calgary at Montreal, 7 p.m.  
Dallas at Carolina, 7 p.m.  
Florida at Detroit, 7 p.m.  
N.Y. Islanders at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.  
Nashville at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.  
Pittsburgh at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.  
Toronto at Edmonton, 7 p.m.  
Colorado at Minnesota, 8 p.m.  
St. Louis at Anaheim, 9 p.m.  
Vancouver at Winnipeg, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Games

New Jersey at Buffalo, 1 p.m.  
Dallas at Carolina, 5 p.m.  
Florida at Detroit, 5 p.m.  
Columbus at Chicago, 7 p.m.  
N.Y. Islanders at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.  
Colorado at Minnesota, 8 p.m.  
St. Louis at Anaheim, 8 p.m.  
Ottawa at Edmonton, 9 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Ball St. at Akron, 2 p.m.  
W. Michigan at Miami (Ohio), 2 p.m.  
Cent. Michigan at Kent St., 4 p.m.  
Toledo at Bowling Green, 5 p.m.  
E. Michigan at N. Illinois, ppd.

NBA

Thursday's Games

Houston 104, Portland 101  
Detroit 107, L.A. Lakers 92  
L.A. Clippers 109, Miami 105  
Phoenix 114, Golden State 93

Saturday's Games

Houston at New Orleans, 8 p.m.  
Milwaukee at Charlotte, 8 p.m.  
Portland at Chicago, 8 p.m.  
Sacramento at Miami, 8 p.m.  
L.A. Lakers at Boston, 8:30 p.m.  
Memphis at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.  
Phoenix at Dallas, 9 p.m.  
Detroit at Golden State, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Games

L.A. Clippers at New York, 1 p.m.  
Utah at Denver, 3:30 p.m.  
Brooklyn at Washington, 7 p.m.  
Orlando at Toronto, 7 p.m.  
Phila. at Indiana, 7 p.m.  
Cleveland at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

NHL

Thursday's Games

Boston 4, Pittsburgh 1  
Philadelphia 3, New Jersey 1  
Carolina 1, Tampa Bay 0, OT  
Washington 6, N.Y. Islanders 3  
N.Y. Rangers 3, Buffalo 2, OT  
Columbus 3, Florida 2, SO  
Montreal 4, Calgary 2  
Minnesota 5, Los Angeles 3  
Dallas 7, Detroit 3  
Colorado 3, San Jose 0  
Arizona 3, Anaheim 2  
Vancouver 4, Ottawa 1  
Toronto 4, Edmonton 3  
St. Louis at Vegas, ppd

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## Jarrold McKee to serve as Crossroads Bank Investment Center president

He resides in Wabash County with his wife, Heather, and three children

### STAFF REPORT

Crossroads Bank has announced the promotion of Jarrold McKee to serve as the president of the Investment Center, according to director of marketing Mitzi Pilgrim.

McKee has been an advisor with the Investment Center since 2010.

McKee resides in Wabash County with his wife, Heather, and three children. He holds a degree in finance from the IU Kelley School of Business along with an AAMS designation. He has also been recognized for his volunteer efforts in the Cystic Fibrosis community. He is a native of Wabash County “who enjoys volunteering his time with youth sports and community efforts.”

Through this promotion, Tony Pulley will continue to serve as a full-time Investment Advisor Representative. “Jarrold has done an outstanding job in cultivating and



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Crossroads Bank has announced the promotion of Jarrold McKee to serve as the president of the Investment Center.

growing a great client base while caring for them greatly. He has a great vision and possesses the enthusiasm and financial knowledge to lead this business forward. This planned transition will also give me added time to concentrate on my clients,” said Pulley.

## Employers invited to Manchester University Virtual Career Fair

The event is for undergraduate students from the North Manchester campus

By ANNE GREGORY

Those with opportunities for full-time and part-time employment, internships and graduate school are invited to take part in the Manchester University Virtual Career Fair in March.

“We encourage employers to register as soon as possible so we can advertise their participation to students,”

said Tish Kalita, MU director of career and professional development. “March 5 is the deadline to register, but spots are limited.”

Organizations can take part free of charge.

The virtual career fair is 1 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 10 on Handshake, an online platform that helps students connect with potential employers.

This fair is for undergraduate students from the North Manchester campus.

Anne Gregory is the assistant director of media relations in the Office of Strategic Communications at Manchester University.



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Tish Kalita is the director of career and professional development at Manchester University.

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